# Advances in the CPRS

David Barnes, CAC-AD, CCDP, RPS

Maryland Addiction & Behavioral-Health Professionals Certification Board Credentialing, Training, Advocacy

www.mapcb.wordpress.com/CPRS

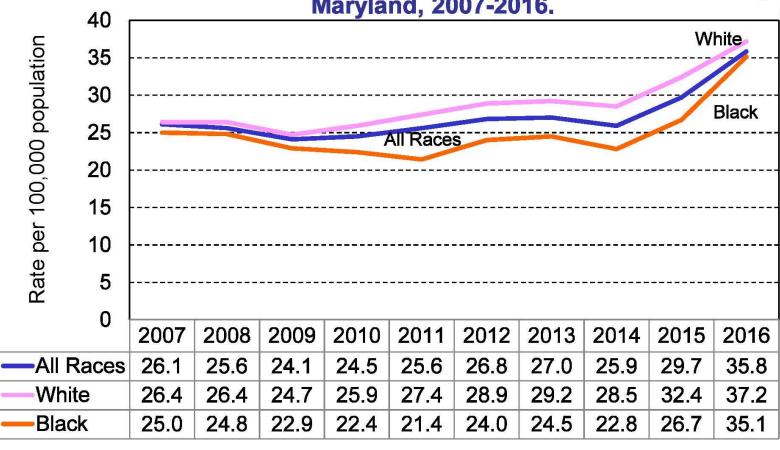
## WHY ARE WE HERE?

#### A Public Health Problem

The fourth leading cause of death in 2016 was accidents, with an age adjusted mortality rate of 35.8 per 100,000 population (state population 6+ million). This represents a 20.5% increase over the rate in 2015, mainly due to increases in deaths from motor vehicle accidents, falls, and drug overdoses.

#### **ACCIDENTS**





#### **DRUG & ALCOHOL INDUCED DEATHS 2016**

#### **DEATHS BY AGE**

<b>ALL AGES</b>	15-24	25-34	35-44	<u>45-54</u>	55-64	65-74	75-84
D: 2,085	166	499	428	539	371	69	5
A: 355	2	22	50	96	114	51	14_
T: 2,440	168	521	478	635	485	120	19

### What's Needed

- Peer-Run Early Intervention Programs
- Continued Use of Peers in the EDs
- Funding for Peers in hospitals, outpatient and continuing care programs, and other community-focused programs
- Cooperation between stakeholders and those in the other helper professions
- Ongoing professionalism on our part

## Cooperation with BHA

- Worked together on creation of CPRS
- Adopted general job tasks into job descriptions for state workers
- BHA sponsors free domain trainings first with the Danya Institute of the ATTC and now with the University of Maryland School of Medicine
- BHA collecting data
- Regulations forthcoming for Medicaid reimbursement (study group in 2018)

#### Current CPRS credentials

- CPRS Certified Peer Recovery Specialist
- RPS Registered Peer Supervisor
- i-FPRS Integrated Forensic Peer Recovery Specialist
- CPRS-F Certified Peer Recovery Specialist-Family (under development with Maryland Coalition of Families) – to launch 2018

## **CPRS** Development

- Developed in 2012-2013
- Launched in 2013
  - First integrated peer credential in the nation
- RPS launched in 2014
- Peers grandfathered in 2014
- i-FPRS development begins in 2016
- First i-FPRS endorsement given in 2016
- Family endorsement development begins 2017

#### **Ethical Guidelines**

- Unauthorized use of credentials or modifying them
  - Example: using credentials not earned (CRPS, i-FRPS, RPS)
  - Adding to the credential, i.e, CPRS-TOT
  - Making up credentials
  - Using cross boundary credentials without reciprocity or IC&RC testing
  - Can result in loss of privilege for credential

## Ethical Guidelines, cont'd

- New Ethics Policy & Procedure
  - New single witness only requirement
  - Revised complaint submission procedure
  - A new complaint form
  - All complaints are taken seriously and will be investigated if under MABPCB's jurisdiction
  - Previous complaints submitted that required two witnesses will now be revisited

## **Cross-Jurisdictional Credentialing**

- MABPCB is in talks to bring the CPRS to Washington, DC via cooperation with their local IC&RC board
- This will bring the CPRS to the entire DMV
- Enhances cross-connections and training
- Binds the peer community more closely together



Celebrating 40 Years Certifying Maryland's Behavioral Health Workers